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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Yasuhiro YOKOTA

Application No.: 10/782,888

Conf. No. 5983

Filed: February 23, 2004

For: JOINT

Art Unit: 3679

Examiner: N. AMIRI

Washington, D.C.

Atty.'s Docket: YOKOTA=17

Date: May 3, 2006

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS
Customer Service Window
Randolph Building, Mail Stop AF
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
 No additional fee is required.
 The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(Col. 2) MINUS	(Col. 3) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS
TOTAL	* 9	MINUS	** 20	0
INDEP.	* 1	MINUS	*** 3	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 25	\$	x 50	\$
x 100	\$	x 200	\$
+ 180	\$	+ 360	\$
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL		TOTAL	

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed.

Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Small Entity

Response Filed Within

- First - \$ 60.00
 Second - \$ 225.00
 Third - \$ 510.00
 Fourth - \$ 795.00

Month After Time Period Set

Less fees (\$ _____) already paid for _____ month(s) extension of time on _____.

Other Than Small Entity

Response Filed Within

- First - \$ 120.00
 Second - \$ 450.00
 Third - \$ 1020.00
 Fourth - \$ 1590.00

Month After Time Period Set

Terminal Disclaimer fee of \$ _____.

Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$ _____.

A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached (check no. _____).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.16
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.118
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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action dated March 9, 2006,
kindly amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of
this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.